

Below is an order of the court.


PETER C. MCKITTRICK
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

In Re:

B & J PROPERTY INVESTMENTS, INC.,
Debtor.

Bankruptcy Case
No. 19-60138-pcm11
LEAD CASE

Jointly Administered with
Case No. 19-60230-pcm11

In re:

WILLIAM JOHN BERMAN,
Debtor.

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR CLASS
CERTIFICATION (DOC. 283)

Plaintiffs/Class Representatives (Plaintiffs) in certain state court litigation have filed a motion for class certification pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7023 to allow them "to proceed on a class-wide basis regarding all issues in this bankruptcy proceeding, including with regard to the Nondischargeability Complaint filed previously." Doc. 283, p. 2 (the Motion). Presumably, Plaintiffs are referring to Adversary Proceeding 19-6026-pcm (the Adversary Proceeding). The debtors in the

1 two above captioned cases (Debtors) oppose the Motion. See Docs. 289,
2 290.

3 The Court agrees with Debtors that the Motion should be denied
4 because Plaintiffs failed to identify a specific contested matter for
5 which they seek certification and there is no basis in the applicable
6 Federal rules to certify a blanket class action for all purposes in a
7 bankruptcy case.

8 Because Plaintiffs filed the Motion only in the main bankruptcy
9 case, the Court expresses no opinion on the question of whether class
10 certification would be appropriate in the Adversary Proceeding.

11 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Motion is DENIED.

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